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DEATH.

At her residence, "The Hut," Upper Castle Road, on the 24th inst., SYLVIA CAROLINA VANDERBERG DOS REMEDIOS, aged 63 years. Deeply regretted.—Shanghai and Japan papers please copy.

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HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VŒUX ROAD C
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 25TH, 1912.

CHINA is fast imbibing new ideas from the West. The most recent development is the Suffragette Movement. While the war was in progress we saw reports of the formation of a corps of Amazons in the North. As to whether these ever saw "service" in the field, history is silent. Inspired possibly by the exploits of the Suffragettes in England, the women of China are beginning to strew thorns along the path of the new rulers of China. Last week a band of women invaded the National Assembly at Nanking, demanding for the women of China equal rights with men. The members of the Nanking Assembly are probably less sympathetic towards the demand than are Mr. Asquith, Mr. Churchill and Mr. Lloyd George, and according to a telegram in a local Chinese newspaper the delegation created a great disturbance in the Assembly and began smashing everything within their reach. No casualties among the members of the Assembly are reported. Also the report, unfortunately, is silent as to whether any, and if so, what retribution overtook these daring Amazons, so that we are unable to institute a comparison between Chinese and British methods of dealing with militant suffragettes. Whatever methods may have been adopted, it is very probable

that the movement will spread in China as it has spread in England, and perhaps with greater reason, for the position of women in China is unquestionably much inferior to that of their Western sisters, and as Western civilisation is becoming better understood in China the greater dignity which is accorded therein to women is being envied. The Rev. Lord WILLIAM CECIL in his book on "Changing China" has this remark on the changing attitude of the women: "The Chinese women hear stories of Western life. At first such strange perversions are believed as that, in the West, women rule. One missionary explained that this absurd figure came from the rule of Queen VICTORIA; another attributed it to the custom men (Europeans) have when travelling in China of walking while their wives remained in the carrying chair. To the Chinaman, such a course admits of but one explanation: the woman must be greater than the man because she is carried while he walks." We doubt, however, whether either of these superficial reasons explains the growth of a woman's enfranchisement movement in China. Whatever the reason may be the fact is undoubted that the women in China are beginning to look into their position. The increase of knowledge regarding social conditions in Europe and America has stimulated an earnest desire among Chinese women for education, and this desire in recent years has been met by the establishment of girls' schools in many parts of the country. Indeed we read quite recently of a school being established in Canton "for the training of ladies to qualify as members of the National Assembly." The tutors were to be a number of law students who have studied in Japan—students, presumably of the male sex. Whether this is part of a widespread organisation we do not know, but this announcement, combined with suffragette exploits in Shanghai and Nanking, suggest that there is an organisation of women who have imbibed the doctrines and copied the methods of the British Women's Enfranchisement movement, and now that they have commenced to forcibly draw attention to their grievances by raiding the National Assembly and smashing the furniture, just to emphasise the urgency of their demands, we assume that, like the British suffragettes, they will not be happy till their ambitions are fully realised.

The new regulations in connection with the Hongkong Volunteers are published in the *Gazette*.

Two fishing junks collided on Friday last off Gap Rock, one of the vessels being sunk, and a life lost.

The name of Dr. E. L. M. Lobb has been added to the register of medical practitioners in Hongkong.

Sir Joseph Bampfylde Fuller, K.C.S.I., of the Indian Civil Service, is staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson has been appointed to act as Chairman of the Licensing Board until further notice.

Conditions of licences to store Acetone, Chlorate of Potassium and other Chlorates are published in the *Gazette*.

Mr. J. S. Dobie has been appointed Acting Secretary of the Hongkong Club during the absence of Mr. James Craik on leave.

Dr. John Bell has been appointed to act as Principal Civil Medical Officer during the absence on leave of the Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson.

H. M. S. Newcastle will leave for Woon-sung to-day. H. M. S. Hawke left for the north on Friday last, and H. M. S. Kent left on the same day for Mirs Bay.

As a result of the troubles in China, which is the chief market for the jade won in the jade mines area in Upper Burma, the revenue of the Burma Government under the head of jade has fallen off in the past year by over one lakh of rupees.

On Friday afternoon last the police raided one of the hotels in Hongkong, on suspicion that an employee had been engaged in gun running. It is alleged that they found in his room a revolver, a sword, and a number of incriminating documents relating to trading in arms. The employee concerned could not be found, and it is thought that he left the Colony before the police decided to make a search of his room.

An Observatory notice respecting the meteorological signals, published in the *Government Gazette*, embodies the intimation that the signals are in future to be repeated at the flagstaff of the Standard Oil Co. at Lui-chi-kok and the flagstaff near the Field Officer's Quarters at Lyman. Captains of steamers seeking shelter either behind Stonecutters or in Junk Bay have heretofore complained that from these shelters they have been unable to see the typhoon signals. The above arrangements will remove this grievance.

A BRUSH WITH PIRATES.

The French river steamer *Paul Beau*, trading between Hongkong and Canton, was attacked by pirates in the Canton River early on Friday morning. Before leaving Hongkong, Captain Marabel was informed by the Harbour authorities that he would have to use caution when passing the Tiger forts, and that he would proceed in those waters at his own risk. When the steamer passed the forts, however, everything was quiet, but when the vessel slowed down approaching Whampoa, the captain heard rifle shots from the bank of the river. He rang for all speed, and the steamer passed the Barriers at a good fourteen knots. She had just left the Barriers astern when a fusilade of rifle shots came from the bank, some of the bullets hitting the hull of the boat and others falling short into the water. One bullet, fired from a Mauser rifle, penetrated a door in the second class quarters, and narrowly missed the head of a Chinese passenger who was asleep in one of the bunks. The firing stopped as suddenly as it began, but three junks suddenly loomed up out of the darkness. The steamer ran one down, but one of the remainder threw grappling irons aboard, and the pirates, who were all armed with modern rifles, commenced to clamber up the side. Captain Marabel, who was on the bridge, armed himself with a revolver, and, leaning over the starboard rail, commenced firing into the junk, at almost point blank range. He heard yells of pain from the pirates, and came to the conclusion that he had either killed or wounded a number of them. The junk sheered off before any of her occupants had time to get aboard the steamer.

KULANGSU MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Council was held at the Board Room, on the 5th March, when there were present:—Messrs. W. H. Wallace (Chairman), Capt. H. Bathurst, J. S. Fenwick, W. R. M'D. Parr, H. F. Rankin, the Health Officer, and the Secretary.

THE SECRETARY.

The agreement of the Secretary and Capt.-Supt. of Police was renewed for a further term of three years from the 1st June, 1912, at a salary of \$400 per month, with four months' full pay leave, the house and telephone allowance to cease on and after the expiration of the lease of Poletti's house (1st August, 1912).

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Further correspondence, etc., concerning the electric lighting of the Settlement was considered.

VOTING BY PROXY.

A letter from Mr. Emil Bauer was read, asking for an authoritative decision as to what persons are qualified to vote by proxy.

The Secretary was directed to inform him that the persons qualified to vote by proxy at all public meetings of ratepayers are the authorized agents or proxies of foreign owners of land on Kulangsu registered at a Consulate and of an assessed value of not less than \$1,000 who are absent from the port.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE N.Y.K. CALCUTTA SERVICE.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

Hongkong, March 23rd, 1912.
DEAR SIR.—With reference to the paragraph appearing in your issue of 23rd instant headed "Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Calcutta Line" and giving translation of an article said to have appeared in a recent issue of the *Osaka Asahi*, we are in a position to state from our own private advices, as well as from Japanese newspapers to hand issued subsequent to the article in the *Osaka Asahi*, that the allegation of the *Osaka Asahi* about the N.Y.K. contemplating to curtail its Calcutta service is entirely baseless. It is true that there is keen competition, but instead of the same forcing the N.Y.K. to adopt a retiring attitude, that Company is augmenting and improving its Calcutta service by arranging to place larger and better typed steamers on the run in order to assure shippers and the general public a more improved permanent regular service.

Thanking you in anticipation for insertion of this.—We are, Dear Sir,
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
T. KUSAMOTO, Manager.

THE GONDOLIERS."

The attendance at the Theatre on Saturday night to witness the third performance of "The Gondoliers" was eminently satisfactory. The patronage accorded the piece was encouraging, particularly in view of the fact that the attendance on Friday night was so disappointing. The piece was exceedingly well staged, and the acting and singing of the principals and chorus were, with scarcely an exception, worthy of professionals. "The Gondoliers" will be produced again to-night.

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[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE MINERS' MINIMUM WAGE BILL.

PROCEEDINGS IN PARLIAMENT.

COMMITTEE STAGE CONCLUDED.

LONDON, March 23rd.

A statement by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Labour M.P., encourages a belief that agreement may result on Monday without legislation, but it is feared that the South Wales owners are still obdurate, and even if the leaders accept the proposed district by the question of the prolongation of the strike will depend on the men, whose disappointment at not obtaining the promised rates, together with possible Government measures to protect the men anxious to resume, may still lead to grave disorders.

RAILWAYS SACRIFICE PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

A general agreement has been arrived at between the railways to sacrifice passenger traffic to food trains throughout the country. It is astonishing that hitherto, despite the rise in the price of coal, the prices of necessaries have nowhere increased. Nevertheless in the mining and industrial districts the extraordinary conditions prevailing have caused suffering and poverty.

MINERS' FUNDS EXHAUSTED.

The miners' funds are mostly exhausted or will be next week, and this, despite the reduced payment. For example, out of nine large districts in England and Wales only two have any funds left. The position of other trades unions in many instances is worse than has been seen for some time, being completely exhausted.

RELIEF MEASURES.

Consequently, throughout the country town councils, boards of guardians, education boards, land-owners (prominent among whom are the Earl of Portland and Lord Crewe) and the clergy are distributing food and firewood.

The situation in South Wales is perhaps most critical, and 21 canteens are feeding the school children, on Saturdays and Sundays as well.

NEW ZEALAND POLITICS.

LONDON, March 23rd. Reuter's correspondent at Wellington telegraphs that Mr. Thomas McKenzie has been elected Premier of New Zealand by 23 votes to 0.

Sir Joseph Ward, the present Premier, defers his resignation until Mr. McKenzie has formed a Cabinet.

THE OKLAHOMA MINE DISASTER.

LONDON, March 23rd. A message from Oklahoma states that 26 miners have been rescued alive from the San Bois mine despite the abandonment of hope. So far 81 bodies have been recovered.

THE ENGLISH TURF.

LONDON, March 23rd. The betting for the Lincolnshire Handicap is as follows:—9 to 2 against Hornet's Beauty; 5 to 1 against Warfare, 9 to 1 against Uncle Pat and Long Set; 100 to 8 against Sobieski.

For the Grand National the betting is: 5 to 1 against Rathnally; 7 to 1 against Jerry M.

MILITANT SUFFRAGETTES IN CHINA.

LONDON, March 24th. A telegram from Shanghai states that a party of Amazons, dissatisfied with the Nanking Assembly's lukewarm approval of the principle of votes for women, invaded the Assembly house, broke windows, and mauled the guards, and terrorised the members, who were re-opening the discussion on female suffrage, although the latter were meanwhile surrounded by soldiers for protection.

THE HOME RULE FUND.

LONDON, March 24th. The Nationalists have each contributed \$50 of their Parliamentary salary to the Home Rule Fund.

THE OPORTO EXPLOSION.

LONDON, March 24th. A wire from Oporto states that ten bodies have been recovered from the debris of the recent explosion.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, March 24th. The death is announced of the Marquis of Hertford, who was A.D.C. to the King.

REVOLUTION IN PARAGUAY.

LONDON, March 24th. Reuter's correspondent at Buenos Aires telegraphs that a battle fought at Asuncion, in which six hundred were killed, resulted in a victory for the Revolutionaries.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

LONDON, March 24th. The international soccer match between England and Scotland at Glasgow resulted in a draw, each side scoring a goal.

The Christian Union Meeting to-day will be conducted by Mr. F. G. White. The meeting will be held in the Rutherford Hall, St. Stephen's College, at 5.30 p.m.

RANDOM REFLECTIONS.

Hongkong cannot complain of the dullness of life during the past week or so. Beginning with the visit of the Lang-Holloway theatrical combination, which drew out people nightly after dinner in larger numbers than have ever been seen in the Colony for years, we have had a regular surfact of entertainments, the local Thespians and the Victoria Theatre comedians adding to the gaiety of life.

It is well, perhaps, that we should have pleasure and amusement so easily provided just now considering that the outlook "At Home" is so gloomy. The industrial crisis, which even threatens the existence of the Government, has reached an acute stage, and when we read of the growing distress which is overtaking the populace we may feel thankful that we are removed from the scene of so much suffering and misery.

The Colony has reason to be proud of its Amateur Dramatic Club. The production of "The Gondoliers," by no means an easy undertaking, is being given with signal success, and though we have witnessed performances in which a more uniform degree of excellence was attained, it has to be admitted that all things considered the amateurs have done exceedingly well. More power to them, say I, and I hope the continued existence of the A.D.C. may never have to be seriously considered as it was this last year.

The appointment of Mr. Henry Keswick as M.P. for the Epsom Division of Surrey in succession to his father is one that causes no little satisfaction in Hongkong. He is the second gentleman, within two or three years to have been translated, as it were, from the Hongkong Legislative Council to the British House of Commons. The other is Mr. Gershon Stewart, whose brilliant contest in the Wirral Division of Cheshire is remembered. The late Mr. William Keswick occupied a seat in the Hongkong Legislative Council before he went home and was returned for Epsom. Sir Thomas Sutherland, the chairman of the P. & O. Company, is another who has been a member of the Legislative Council before he returned to the homeland and was elected the parliamentary representative of Greenock.

If no news is to be regarded as good news then the affairs of the new Republic must be regarded as running on fairly satisfactory lines on the whole. Conditions at Peking and Nanking seem normal, and it looks as if start were being made with the big task of establishing a Government and restoring order. The only disturbing factor is the unrest and anarchy prevailing in Kwangtung province, and it may be if the provincial authorities are not strong enough to bring about peace and good order that an army may have to be sent from the North to reduce the turbulent elements to subjection. At any rate, even with Canton at its worst, the outlook for the success of the Republic is no worse than it has been.

It looks as if March were determined to maintain its reputation as a wet month. After a spell of fairly nice weather the downpour on Saturday morning and the torrential rainfall of yesterday were rather unexpected. Though the rain may have interfered with pleasure, there is no doubt that the ground needed the refreshment very much.

Though the coal strike is not exactly with us, its effects are beginning to be felt even at this distance, and the reduced imports will doubtless have their influence on the prices throughout the East.

It was characteristic of Sir Frederick Lugard's consideration to send that telegram to the Colony expressing the appreciation of Lady Lugard and himself for the send-off which they received. Sir Frederick, we may presume, thought of sending that message before he actually reached Singapore, and so had a practical lesson in the advantage of that commercial wireless telegraph service which he recently announced was at last in the way of being provided for the Colony.

Rumour has been busy these days with our railway and its terminal station, the site of which has been in doubt for some time. According to report, negotiations have taken place and have resulted in purchase and exchange of property which point to the terminal railway station being located on the site of the property occupied at present as the Godown Company's office and Railway Company's office as well as dwelling houses, and that the Star Ferry Company will construct two wharves in front. The road leading to the police pier will be closed, and the present ferry wharf will become a public wharf. It is reported, too, that the police basin will be given to the Godown Company in exchange for other property obtained by the Government. I do not vouch for the accuracy of these statements but give them merely in the language of rumour.

RODRICK RANDOM.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

INAUGURATION OF A CHINESE BANK ON WESTERN LINES IN HONGKONG.

Yesterday a large number of Chinese business men and several foreign residents were invited to a ceremony in connection with the opening of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., at No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central, close to Ice House Road. The objects of the Bank are outlined in a speech delivered in English by Mr. Li Wai Ching, the chief accountant, which we reproduce below. Mr. Look Pong Shan is Chairman of the Board of Directors and chief manager of the Bank, the other Directors being: Messrs. Lam Wo, Li Yuk Tong, Ma Ying Piu, Tang Cheung Cha, Tong Yat Chun, Mak Li Tang, Yu Pao San, Li Pao Lung, Lau Tung Sam, Lau Ki Wa, Tong Li Cheun, and Li Pang Hau. The Secretary is Mr. Ho Li Shek. Mr. Wong Pik Tsun is Assistant Secretary and Mr. Tang Chung Chak cashier.

The Bank premises, which are nicely fitted up, were decorated with flags and flowers yesterday, the Chinese, American and British flags being especially prominent, and shortly after noon a number of congratulatory addresses from associations and individual merchants in the Colony were read and many speeches delivered.

Mr. Luk Pong Shan presided, and among the speakers were Mr. Ma Ying Piu, the manager of the Sincere Company, and Mr. Li Yuk Tong, the Treasurer of Kwangtung under the Provisional Government. The tenor of their addresses was that China needed many more banks like the Bank of Canton, Ltd., as they would undoubtedly tend to increase the commerce of the country.

Mr. Li Wai Ching, chief accountant, delivered the following speech in English:—

On being called upon to speak on this auspicious occasion, I feel that it is not only a duty which I owe to this institution but it is both a privilege and an honour. You will all, I am sure, be interested in a brief history of the formation of this Bank and an outline of the objects which it has in view. Every one is aware of the fact that there is a large number of wealthy Chinese merchants and residents in the United States of America who conduct a very extensive trade with their homeland and the Orient. The transactions are of very large amounts and naturally elaborate banking facilities are necessary to finance them. For many years, the Canton Bank in San Francisco, founded by the Chinese merchants there, have handled these financial transactions, but having no branch on this side have had to pass the business through ordinary correspondent banks or agents. Not long ago it was decided that the extent of the business of the Chinese merchants in America with the East was large enough to warrant the opening of a bank of their own on this side, and this decision was given effect to, in the establishing of this institution, the Bank of Canton, Ltd., in Hongkong. I may state that this bank is not a branch of nor in any way attached to the Canton Bank of San Francisco. Both institutions are separate although they are closely related to each other in view of the fact that most shareholders of the latter bank are also shareholders of this institution. Furthermore, one acts for the other as sole agents and both work on the same system and principle. We are much indebted to the Canton Bank of San Francisco for the part which they have taken in bringing this institution into shape. At the commencement, their manager, Mr. Allen, very kindly came over here to assist us in the organization work and stayed with us several months.

In him we had the good fortune of having a man with wide experience and exceptional ability to guide this new institution in its first steps. I may further mention that Mr. Look Tin Eli, the President of the Canton Bank of San Francisco, arrived a few days ago, and during his stay here of several months, he will give us the benefit of his experience and advice. The Bank of Canton, Ltd., has been formed and is registered in Hongkong in accordance with the requirements of the British Law regarding banking institutions, and its registered capital is \$2,000,000. At first it was intended to subscribe a capital of \$10,000,000, but the promoters decided to commence on a moderate scale of \$2,000,000. Although the bank is being provided by Chinese shareholders in the United States of America, Hongkong and Australia, its affairs and business will be conducted on strictly Western methods, and the customs and usages now in vogue with the European banks will be generally followed. I may express a hope that similar institutions to ours will be plentifully established throughout the Empire—there is room enough for all. Such banks are absolutely essential for the development of the trade of China. Chinese traders will be able to obtain greater

facilities for the conduct of their business, and naturally they will be encouraged to extend their operations, the consequence of which will be that commercial activity will be increased and the country in general will prosper thereby. Before I sit down, there is one point on which I wish to lay special emphasis, and that is, it must not be thought for one moment that a corporation like this will injure the interests and business of European banks which are already established in the East. On the contrary, it is my firm conviction that Chinese banks run on Western methods will be able to render assistance to European bankers. As I have already said, I am fully convinced that the European banks and those like ourselves will mutually help and benefit each other and I am sure they cannot but work together in harmony and goodwill. I would take this opportunity of assuring the European bankers that the staff of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., will always do its utmost to maintain a most pleasant relationship with all the other banks in the Colony. In conclusion, on behalf of the staff of this Bank, I extend a hearty welcome to all who are present to-day and express the assurance that one and all who visit this Bank will meet with courtesy and respect and that their business will be attended to with promptitude and despatch.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER INSPECTION.

On Saturday afternoon the annual inspection of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps and the Hongkong Scouts took place on the Murray Barracks Parade Ground, the inspecting officer being H.E. the General Officer Commanding. There was a good muster, the parade numbering about 170, Lieutenant-Colonel Chapman being in command. After Major-General Anderson had been received with a salute, the troops went through a number of movements, which was followed by the march past. His Excellency then addressed the parade, expressing the pleasure which it gave him to inspect the Hongkong Volunteers and complimenting the corps on its efficiency.

BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

The forthcoming season of the new Bandmann Opera Company at the Theatre Royal promises to be one of the most successful of that organisation's tour in the East. Since their last visit to the Colony the Company has been strengthened by the engagement of Miss Florence Beech, who has been absent from the Company for some time, and Mr. William Farmer, a very pleasing light baritone, from the Carl Rosa Opera Company, Miss Majorie Tempest, and a number of other artists with fine records in the profession. During the season several pieces new to Hongkong will be produced on a lavish scale. These include: "The Count of Luxembourg" and "Peggy," two of Mr. George Edwardes' latest Gaiety successes; "The Mouse," a musical comedy, which has called forth unstinted praise from the critics in London, and "The King's Bride." The latter has not yet been placed before the public in London, but at a trial performance at the Kensington Theatre, Mr. Bandmann, who witnessed the performance, was so taken up with the light opera, that he immediately secured the rights for the East.

The opening production of the season, which commences on Friday night next, will be "The Quaker Girl," in which Miss Florence Beech will assume the title rôle. This musical comedy has always been a great favourite with theatregoers and the Company could not have made a better selection for the initial production of the season. The cast has been remodelled since the piece was last produced in Hongkong, and the comedy itself has been greatly improved by the introduction of new musical numbers. Booking for the season opens at Moult's this morning.

The other pieces in the Company's repertoire include: "The Balkan Princess," "The Merry Widow," "The Chee-late Soldier," "The Runaway Girl," "The Girl in the Train," "The Dollar Princess," "A Waltz Dream," "Florodora," and the evergreen comic opera, "The Arcadians."

TREATMENT FOR HYDROPHOBIA.

As the result of the patient investigations, which have been carried on, first in the research laboratory at Kasaui, and afterwards independently in the research laboratory at Parel, a change has been introduced in the system of anti-rabic treatment, which should remove any lingering doubts as to the safety of this means of preventing hydrophobia. It seems that Colonel Semple discovered a method of sterilising anti-rabic serum without destroying its efficacy as a preventive of hydrophobia. His serum, which thus differs from that hitherto in use in containing lifeless instead of living and thus potentially active germs, has been the subject of an extensive series of tests, which in the opinion of the medical profession have established all that he has claimed for it. In consequence a change was introduced on January 1st in both the Pasteur laboratories in India, the new serum being substituted for the old in all cases treated. The new serum can also, unlike the old serum, be transmitted to long distances by post without losing its efficacy. Colonel Semple has proceeded on thirteen months leave. Captain W. H. Harvey, I.M.S., is officiating during his absence in charge of the central research institute.—*Rangoon Gazette*.

HAMBURG LETTER.

SPECIALLY WRITTEN FOR THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."

AN INTERESTING INSURANCE QUESTION.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF GERMANY AND ENGLAND WERE AT WAR?

February 29th.

Ever since the war scare last autumn the question whether insurances effected with English underwriters would hold good in case of a war between Great Britain and Germany has engaged the attention of commercial men in this country. The Bremen Association of Importers of Grain therefore addressed a letter to that of Hamburg some time ago asking for the views of its members as to the advisability of no longer insuring with English companies, eminent counsel having given it as their opinion that according to the law of England the payment of insurance claims by underwriters after the outbreak of hostilities would be illegal and that, even should there be any doubt on the subject, the British Government would always have the power to declare the policies null and void notwithstanding any clause they might contain providing against such a contingency. The Hamburg Association has thereupon circularised its members stating that, although the question is one of grave importance to the trade, the ulterior consequences of the step suggested by Bremen were so far-reaching that it would have to be carefully considered under all its aspects.

The subject is now being ventilated in the local newspapers, and whilst there is a consensus of opinion that British marine insurance policies would in case of war afford little or no protection to the holder, particularly not as long as the British Government has not signed the "London Declaration of 1909," doubts are expressed as to the possibility of merchants confining themselves to German and other continental companies as the terms of the English policies are more favourable to the insurer and the premiums lower, whilst German companies have latterly shown a disposition to form rings in order to raise the premiums and would certainly not fail to take advantage of so enormous an accession of business to demand rates the trade might not be able to bear. The troops went through a number of movements, which was followed by the march past. His Excellency then addressed the parade, expressing the pleasure which it gave him to inspect the Hongkong Volunteers and complimenting the corps on its efficiency.

In the current year opium realised one and three-quarters million pounds over the original estimate. Two-thirds of the excess was again employed in redeeming the temporary sterling debt, and the remaining third was distributed in grants to the provinces for non-recurring expenditure of a beneficial character. Grants of £33,000 for sanitation; £133,000 for agricultural improvement; £33,000 Central Research Institute; £33,000 School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta; and £27,000 Government laboratories, Burma and Parel have been allotted in this manner.

The position of the opium trade, following the agreement with China of last May, is fully explained while the objects and results of The Hague Conference and a lengthy pronouncement in made of the Government's opium policy.

The Budget next year shows an opium revenue of 63 crores against 81 crores for the current year. The intention is to sell 5,206 chests of Bengal opium with special certificates and 13,200 chests without certificates, of which 1,000 will be offered to Malwa; also to export 14,851 chests to Malwa. From the proceeds 540 lakhs will be treated as current revenue, any excess over that figure being set aside for the other usual purposes.

INTERNATIONAL BANKERS AND LOAN TO CHINA.

In a telegram of the N.C. Daily News dated the 17th, the Peking correspondent said:—

The international bankers point out that Tang Shao-ji, representing the country to be practically bankrupt, had appealed to them for money. He submitted a statement of the country's necessities and resources, but he did not mention the Belgian negotiations which were then proceeding.

The international group, believing the situation to be critical, having large interests in China and desiring to restore prosperity as quickly as possible for their own and China's benefit, with much inconvenience made immediate advances and agreed to finance China until the end of June.

The international group considers, therefore, that Tang Shao-ji showed a breach of faith in concluding the Belgian loan, when the international group's assistance had been given without immediate security on the understanding that the next loan would embrace all advances made. The sum of Rs. 1,000,000, payable last Saturday, has not been advanced and further advances have been suspended pending advice from Home.

Yuan Shih-kai is not blamed. The matter was probably left in the hands of Tang Shao-ji. It is considered extremely unfortunate that Yuan Shih-kai was so badly advised and that the first actual monetary assistance of the Powers should be slighted in a manner which jeopardizes confidence in the new Republic.

The result will probably be more stringent terms, for the sextette group alone is able to supply China's needs.

TEN GRAND MASTERS.

Shortly the new hall of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons in course of completion in George street, Edinburgh, will receive a fine equipment of ten heraldic windows commemorative of the last ten Grand Masters of the Order. The coats-of-arms illustrated are those of the Marquess of Tullibardine, the present holder of the office; Sir Thomas D. Gibson Carmichael (now Baron Carmichael), and the Hon. Charles Maule Ramsay, Past Grand Master. The others of the suite will consist of the heraldic bearings of Lord Newlands, Lord Saltoun, Sir Charles Dalrymple, the Earl of Haddington, Lord Blythswood, the Earl of Mar and Kellie, and Sir Michael Shaw Stewart.

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NOTICE.

DURING the absence on leave of Mr. JAMES CRAIK, Mr. J. S. DOBIE has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY. C. MONTAGUE ELLIE, Chairman. Hongkong, 23rd March, 1912. [495]

PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

M. R. FERGUS GRAHAM KELL was admitted a Partner in our Firm at Amoy and Formosa, on the First Day of March, 1912. BOYD & CO. Amoy, 19th March, 1912. [496]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 25th MARCH, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD., General Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1912. [420]

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NOTICE.

THE THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 25th MARCH, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

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JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD., General Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1912. [421]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the Office of the General Managers, St. George's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 30th day of MARCH, 1912, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1911. Declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY the 21st day of March, 1912, until SATURDAY, the 30th day of March, 1912, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOWES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1912. [455]

INTIMATIONS

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of Members will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, HAPPY VALLEY, on THURSDAY, the 28th MARCH, 1912, at 5.30 P.M.

By Order, E. R. HALLIFAX,

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1912. [488]

THE PHOENIX CLUB, LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL

MEETING of the Members of the above Club

will be held on THURSDAY, the 23rd MARCH,

at 6 P.M., in the Club Premises, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

By Order of the GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1912. [489]

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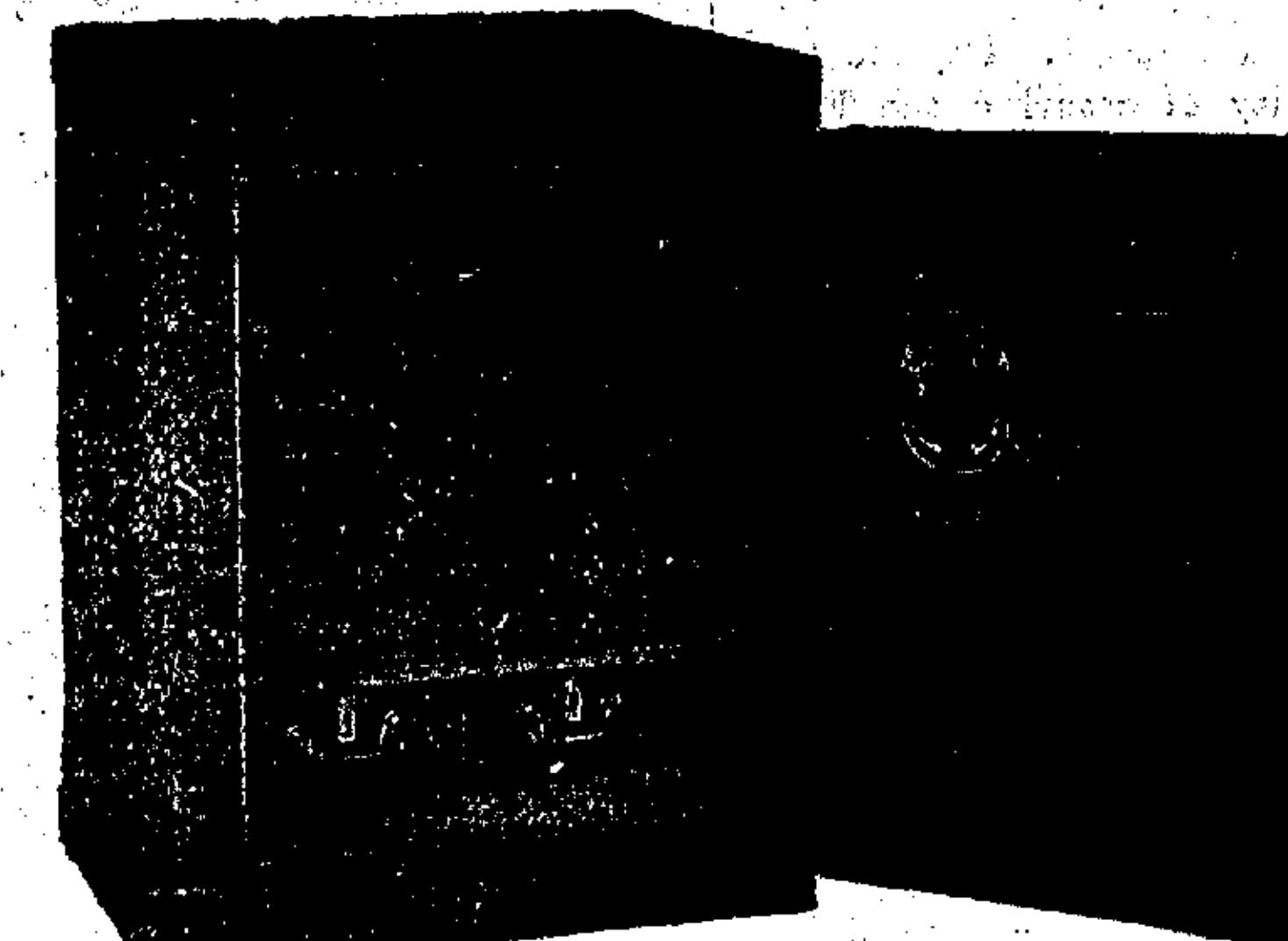
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LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION FINAL.

The final for the Association football
shield was played off on the Happy Valley
on Saturday between the K.O.Y.L.I. team
and the Naval Yard. The game was a
most uninteresting one, the soldiers win-
ning easily by five goals to nil. During
the first half hour the Naval goal was
almost continuously besieged, two
goals being registered in that period by
the soldiers. During the next quarter of
an hour exchanges were fairly even, but
the game was not exciting, the soldiers
easily holding their own. The half time
scores were, K.O.Y.L.I. 2 goals, Naval
Yard, nil. In the second half the soldiers
fairly ran over their opponents, and scored
three more goals in rapid succession. At
the conclusion of the match, His Excellency,
Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, presented
the shield and badges to the winners, and
a silver cup to the runners up. Mr. J.
W. C. Bonnar, in a brief speech, drew atten-
tion to the fact that the shield had
been held in turn by the Army, Navy, and
civilian clubs, and that on this occasion,
after an absence of two years, it had re-
turned to military headquarters. He con-
gratulated them on the sportsmanlike
game they had played, although he said
he had seen better games between the
Army and the Navy.

OTHER CRICKET.

H.R.C.C. v. H.M.S. "MINOTAUR."

The match on the H.R.C.C. Ground was
between a dozen of the Club and a similar
number from H.M.S. Minotaur. Scores—

"MINOTAUR."

Mr. Annheim, b. w., b. Joesland ... 29
Rev. Hewetson, st. Williams, b. Bird ... 11
Lt. Whitehead, b. Pearce, b. Greenhalgh ... 65
Capt. Cayley, b. Bird ... 6
Surg. Fisher, c. Webb, b. Bird ... 11
Mr. Smedley, c. and b. Bird ... 0
Mr. Raymont, b. Bird ... 6
Mr. Oliver, b. Fowler ... 6
Lt. Attwood, b. w., b. Bird ... 3
Mr. Bavin, c. Clarke, b. Fowler ... 0
Comm. Ward, not out ... 4
Extras ... 12

Total ... 159

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. B. W.
Fowler ... 11 3 32 3
Bird ... 143 1 58 6
Donnelly ... 2 — 11 —
Joesland ... 3 — 13 1
Pearce ... 2 — 21 —
Greenhalgh ... 3 — 14 1

H.R.C.C.

Mr. Annheim, A. G. C., Attwood, b. Ward ... 15
A. N. Joesland, b. Annheim ... 8
D. E. Donnelly, b. Annheim ... 15
W. C. O. Turner, c. Attwood, b. Annheim ... 37
H. M. Webb, b. w., b. Annheim ... 15
C. C. Clarke, b. Ward ... 22
T. E. Pearce, c. Smedley, b. Annheim ... 29
A. R. Sutherland, c. Annheim, b. Ward ... 30
M. M. Mass, b. Ward ... 3
E. A. Fowler, not out ... 14
Surg. Greenhalgh, b. Ward ... 0
E. O. Bird, b. Ward ... 0
Extras ... 3

Total ... 176

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. B. W.
Ward ... 17.4 2 57 6
Annheim ... 23 3 24 5
Hewetson ... 6 — 23 —

POLICE v. KOWLOON.

This league match played at Happy Valley
on Saturday afternoon resulted in an easy win
for the visitors. The Police made perhaps the
lowest score in league cricket this season.

Scores:

POLICE
D. McHardy, b. Macaskill ... 1
W. Kent, b. Macaskill ... 0
Booker, b. Weiser ... 0
Burlingham, b. Weiser ... 0
Grimmitt, b. Macaskill ... 3
P. P. J. Wodthorne, run out ... 1
T. H. King, c. Tharfield, b. Weiser ... 0
W. Pitt, c. and b. Macaskill ... 0
K. McChesney, b. Weiser ... 6
W. Cooper, not out ... 11
J. H. Kerr, b. Weiser ... 0
Extras ... 5

Total ... 25

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. B. W.
K. Macaskill ... 8 4 6 4
W. L. Weiser ... 7.5 3 16 5

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J. P. Robinson, not out ... 28
F. Sutton, b. Kerr ... 0
W. T. Elson, b. King ... 0
R. G. Tharfield, c. and b. King ... 3
N. L. Railton, b. King ... 0
Capt. Wood, b. Kerr ... 0
K. R. Macaskill, not out ... 0
W. L. Weiser ... 0
Rev. Foster Pegg ... did not bat
A. R. F. Raven ... 0
J. H. Mead ... 0

Extras ... 4

Total ... 60

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J. H. Kerr ... 8 0 22 2
T. H. King ... 4 1 13 3
Booker ... 2 0 17 0
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MINIMUM WAGE IN MINES.

THE SUBSTANCE OF THE MEN'S
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ABNORMAL WORKING PLACES.

A mining correspondent has contributed the following article to *The Times* in which he states briefly the miners' demands:

That whenever a miner is working in an abnormal working place, which may be considered as a working place where he has to contend with bad roofs, floors, dirty partitions in the seam, hard-set coal, fast-working ends, working close to faults, faulty ground, thinning of the coal seams, exceptional timbering to contend with, and the like, then the miner is to be paid a wage of so much per day, say, between 7s. and 8s. (depending on the country), whether he sends out of the mine—(1) no coal at all; or (2), say half a ton or one ton; (3) or anything in tons that comes below the minimum wage of 7s. or 8s. a day. Suppose, for example, that contract price is 1s. 6d. per ton for every ton of coal mined and sent over the weighbridge on the surface; in such a case, in order that the miner may receive a minimum of 8s. a day, at present he is bound by contract to send out of the mine a little over 6s. tons of coal, whereas if the minimum wage is granted, and he only sends out, say, four tons of coal, then the owners will have to make up his wages from 6s. 6d. to 8s., resulting in a dead loss of 2s. 4d. to the owner for every individual miner affected.

The minimum wage would be a constant quantity, or fixed sum, depending on the country and irrespective of the tonnage of coal the miner sends out of the mine. In other words, a constant price is to be fixed for a commodity which is to fluctuate in quantity, making it extremely difficult, if not impossible, for the owner to regulate his selling prices. Moreover, the output of coal from certain districts, or part of a mine, or even from the whole of a mine, would be reduced, and this variable quantity or diminished output would have to meet a number of standing charges for management, rents, rates, taxes, royalties, repairs, renewals, stores, depreciations, together with surface and underground labour required to handle the coal in transit after it leaves the miner's hands.

THE DIFFICULTIES OF DEFINITION.

One of the most important points involved in the question as to what constitutes a difficult miner's working place. Another in the question, who is to decide what constitutes the miner's difficulties? These two items alone, the writer ventures to state from experience, will make the coal industry no bed of roses for all those connected with mining, simply because it is practically impossible to exercise personal supervision over the men's working places. Extra officials appointed by the owners on their behalf, and by the miners on theirs, will have to decide up to a certain point as to the difficulties, but even then the management which is in charge of the mine may not be satisfied.

They will often make apparent difficulties appear real, and cause constant friction and bad feeling between the owners' management, and men. They will generally cause the output so to fluctuate that it will be extremely difficult to manage the mines and work them at a profit. In the past, good will has existed between owners, managers, and the men. There is no reason why the past conditions should not continue, and any difficulties settled on mutual lines, without having to resort to impracticable demands and strikes. All owners, I am convinced, desire to ameliorate the condition of the miners and exceed them a fair day's wage for a fair day's work, which can only be secured by mutual agreement as in the past. Only by such means can strikes and friction be avoided.

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result will be that the output from the whole of the district or the whole mine will be considerably reduced, whilst the cost to the owners will be considerably increased, and in many cases will certainly result in a dead loss, or closing the mines.

If a miner's working place is naturally difficult to work, through no fault of his own, say, due to hard and set coals, dirt falling from the roof and mixing with the coals, extra timbering required having to be cut in, or fast cutting places, or water to contend with, or stripping faults, ribs of pillars, or working along boundaries, where the coal is set, or if he meets with stop faults, causing extra work to cut through them, or if dirt parts become considerably thicker, and the like, then it is only reasonable and fair, and the majority of managers, if not all, have the owners' consent to do so. The human element, however, is an extremely difficult one, and if the minimum wage is granted it is quite evident that some men will be constantly inquiring, while others put forth their best efforts. The miners will generally take more time in going to and from their working-places from the pit bottoms, with the result that the output will drop.

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It is quite obvious that when a miner has done a day's work on honest lines he is entitled to a fair day's wage, and the owners through their management allow for a miner to have this; but the greatest difficulty arises on the question whether a man has put forth his best efforts to obtain a fair output from his working place or not. There are some miners who work as hard and as honestly as possible, whereas others do not put forth their best efforts when they know that the wage will be made up to a certain minimum.

The question of a miner's working place, as to whether it is a difficult one or not, is full of complexities, and the difficulties or conditions of the working face vary from day to day and week to week. In some cases the man allows his working place to be so worked as to become a difficult one, and this will happen more often if the miner is granted the demand for a minimum wage. Some miners by their methods of working the coals make it impossible for themselves, however hard they work, to earn anything like the minimum wage of, say, 8s. a day, through disregard of proper principles, in mining the coal to the best advantage, by leaving timber, for instance, and props in the goaf, to be buried, which does not allow the roof to set properly by its leverage in assisting the miner to get the coal.

Then, again, there are some miners who make a practice of staying away frequently from their work so that the working place does not advance quickly enough, and the superincumbent weight of the roof is kept from acting properly on the working face, with the result that the coals become hard and set; and however hard the miner works when he does come to work he cannot make a fair day's wage.

In such a case, under the present demands set forth for a minimum wage, the owners would have to pay the miner for his negligence in staying away from work and allowing his coal face to become set and hard.

In some mines the coals have a tendency to stick or adhere to the roof, floor, or parting between the coals, with the result that it becomes difficult even for the best-intentioned miners to make a fair day's wage. In such cases every encouragement should be given to the miner, whereas, in other cases the parting between the roof, floor, and seams are naturally good, but some men cannot or will not get the coals clear to the natural partings. The results are generally that the working place becomes harder to work, and naturally the miner does not earn what he ought to do. In this case, too, the owners will have to pay for the miner's negligence.

If a portion of a district in a mine, working long wall, is allowed to get behind the proper line of face due to various causes in various mines—sometimes to the miner's staying away from work, sometimes to falls, and sometimes to some miners sending out more coal than others—then a whole district may become so affected that the general body of miners cannot make a fair day's wage, and the really good miners have to suffer for those who have caused the coals of the whole district to become set and hard. In such cases it is difficult to cope with those miners who are the real cause of the trouble, and it will be more so if the present demands are conceded. The general

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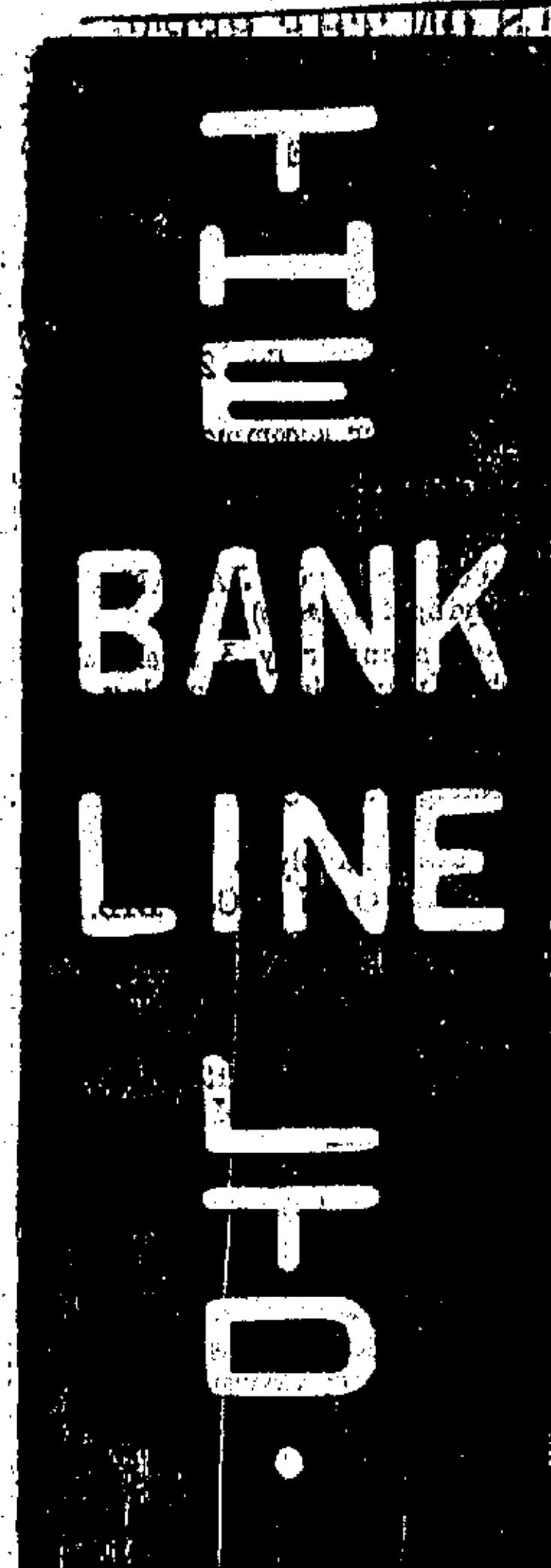
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ARRIVALS

ARANIS, Danish str., 3,004, C. van Deurs, 24th March—Singapore 17th March, General—Melschers & Co.
CANADA MARU, Japanese str., 6,068, K. Kori, 20th March—Shanghai 21st General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
HAIMUN, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, 24th March—Swatow 23rd March, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
HAJO MARU, Japanese str., 1,297, T. Yamaguchi, 23rd March—Swatow 22nd March General—
HAIYANG, British str., 1,352, J. W. Evans, 23rd March—Foochow via Ports 20th March, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
J. B. BULAMAU, American str., 461, G. Rose, 23rd March—Manil 20th March—Barrett & Co.
KIUHUNG, British str., 1,287, Robertson, 24th March—Dahny 18th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
LOONGSON, German str., 1,971, V. Pilgrim, 23rd March—Manila 20th March, Hamburg America Line.
MARIE, German str., 1,692, H. Schlaikier 23rd March—Sorion 17th March, Rice-Jones & Co.
MATHILDE, German str., 831, Chr. Uldorph, 22nd March—Haiphong and Hoihow 20th March, Rice and General—Jensen & Co.
MERAPI, British str., 1,420, Uldall, 24th March—Samatang 14th March, Sugar—Chinese.
PETCHANOK, German str., 3,000, C. Gosewisch, 23rd March—Singapore 18th March, Rice, Meal and Cotton—Butterfield & Swire.
PONGTONG, German str., 998, W. Botefuhr, 23rd March—Bangkok 12th March, Rice and Tea—Butterfield & Swire.
RAJAH, German str., 1,275, A. Roscher, 24th March—Hagen 16th March, Coal—Melschers & Co.
SHINAI MARU, Japanese str., 3,025, K. Tebi, 23rd March—Miike 26th March, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
SUVIA, German str., 2,381, Rassan, 24th March—Shanghai 20th March, General—Hamburg America Line.
TJILIWONG, Dutch str., 3,061, A. Oldenburger, Java 3rd March, Sugar and General—Java China-Japan Lijn.

DEPARTURES

March 23rd.
A. APOA, British str., for Singapore.
BORNEO, German str., for Kudat.
CAPRI, Italian str., for Singapore.
CHUNSHANG, British str., for Kohsichang.
GLENLOCHY, British str., for Kohsichang.
HELENE, German str., for Hoihow.
KWANGTAN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
LICHTZOW, German str., for Shanghai.
MONTGELAS, British str., for Shanghai.
SHINCHIKU MAI, Jap. str., for Takao.
TRIGONIA, British str., for Phembang.
YUENSANG, British str., for Manila.
March 24th.
CHIASHING, British str., for Tientsin.
CHIYANG, British str., for Shanghai.
DAIGI MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
DOVRE, Norwegian str., for Manila.
HAIYANG, British str., for Swatow.
HUDSON MARU, Japanese str., for Kobe.
KNIGHT COMPANION, for Madras.
LINAN, British str., for Shanghai.
PAOTING, British str., for Amoy.
PRINZ SIGISMUND, Ger. str., for Sydney.
SCHUWILK, British str., for Moji.
SUNGKANG, British str., for Hoihow.
TJIBODAS, Dutch str., for Amoy.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Haimun* reports: Light to moderate breeze, continuous rain.
The German str. *Pongtong* reports: Strong N.E. monsoon (force 5.8) from Go Chi to Gap Rock.

ARRIVED.

Per *Petchanok*, from Singapore, Mr. C. Clark.
Per *Pongtong*, from Bangkok, Mr. and Mrs. T. Gilgenstr, Messrs. E. Gorges, D. Wray de Prez and H. G. Barker.
Per *Haifang*, from Foochow & Co., Mr. and Mrs. L. De Catte, Mrs. K. Kori, Dr. L. B. Key, Mr. Munton, Mr. H. E. Pollock, Sister Alphonse, Dr. MacLean, Mrs. J. Clasen and 2 children, Mrs. H. Bamford, Mrs. Milne, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. De Cruse and 4 children, Misses De Cruse (3) and Mrs. Davies.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of India* arrived Yokohama at 9:00 p.m. on Friday, the 22nd inst., and left again at 5 a.m. to-day for Kobe, where she is to arrive at 6 a.m. on Sunday, the 24th inst.
The M. M. str. *Polynesien*, with the French Mail of the 23rd February, and Mail from London of the 24th February, left Saigon on Friday, the 22nd inst., at 6 p.m. and is expected to arrive here on Monday, the 25th inst., at 1 p.m., leaving most likely for Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama the same night.
The P. M. S. Co.'s str. *Manchuria* sailed from San Francisco, on March 21st, on route to Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on April 19th.

The Silk ex C.P.R. str. *Empress of Japan*, which left here on the 24th inst., arrived at New York on the 22nd inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Mitsima Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 22nd inst., at 1 p.m., and is expected here on the 25th inst., p.m.

The P. & O. str. *Delta* left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., at 1 p.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 23rd inst., at about 8 a.m.

The I.C.M. str. *Prinz Waldemar* left Yang on the 24th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about 1st April.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD., from Singapore, is due in Hongkong 27th March.

Laisana, from Calcutta, is due in Hongkong 28th April.

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Chengkong, from Weihaiwei, is due in Hongkong 29th March.

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LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DEVAHNA	30th Mar.	See Special Advertisement.
OF CALL	Capt. W. R. Hickey		
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Hongkong, 20th March, 1912.

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SAN FRANCISCO LINE:

STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING.
SHINYO MARU	H. S. Smith	TUESDAY, 9th April, NOON.
CHIYO MARU	W. W. Greene	TUESDAY, 7th May, at Noon.
NIPPON MARU	A. G. Stevens	TUESDAY, 28th May, at Noon.
TENYO MARU	E. Bent	TUESDAY, 4th June, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICA LINE:

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BUYO MARU	10,500	TUESDAY, 9th April, NOON.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	FRIDAY, 7th June, at Noon.
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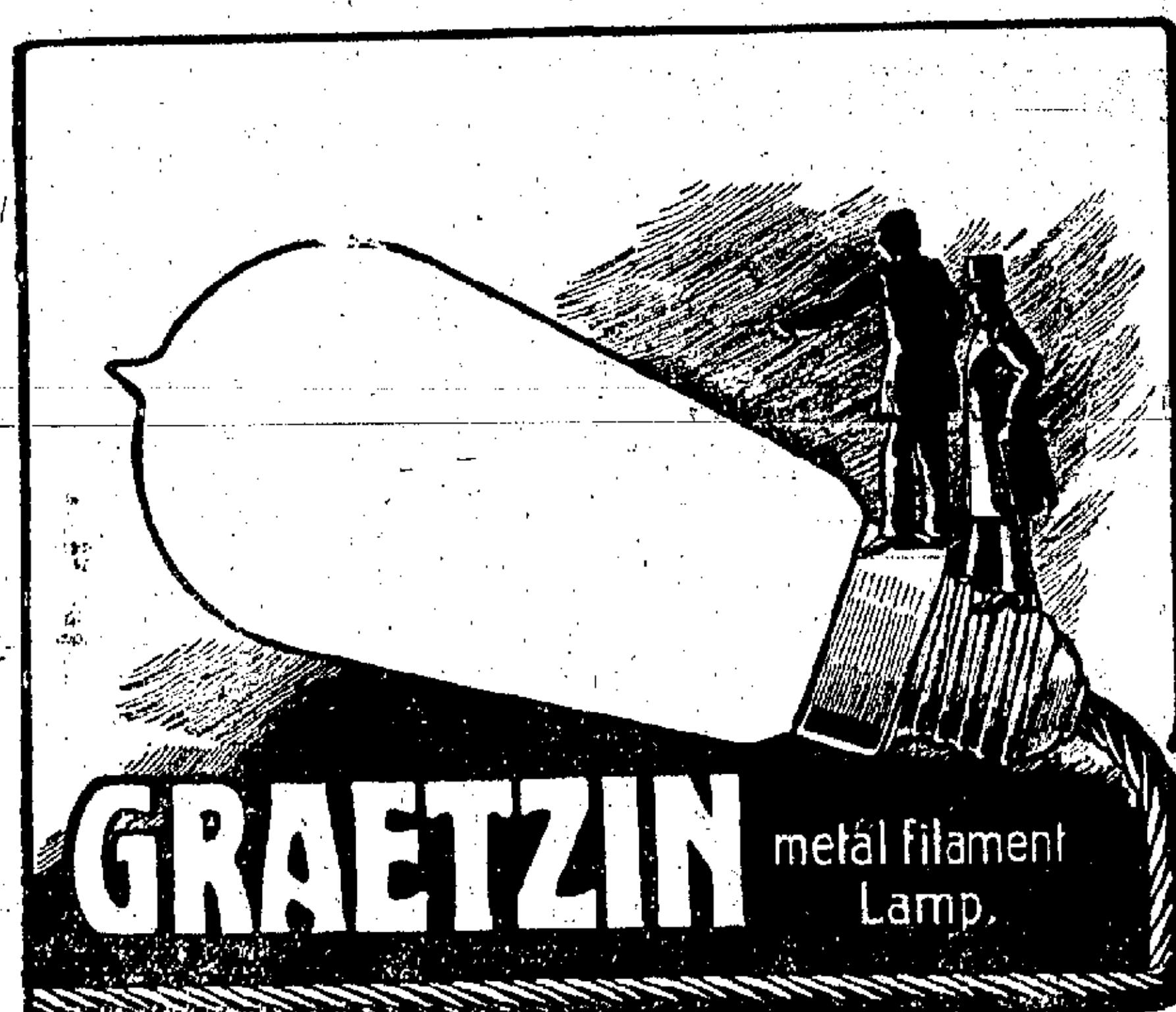
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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1912. [48-22]

POST OFFICE NOTICE

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended: Hupeh, Hunan and Tengyueh.

The *Tourane*, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-day.

The *Polymer*, with the French Mail, left Saigon on Friday, the 22nd instant, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-day, at 1 p.m.

TO	PER	DATE	
Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar	Loongmoon	Monday, 25th, 6.00 A.M.	
Macao	Sui Tai	Monday, 25th, 1.15 P.M.	
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Japan	Monday, 25th, 3.00 P.M.	
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Namur	Monday, 25th, 5.00 P.M.	
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE	Polytessen	Monday, 25th, 5.00 P.M. Registration ... 5.00 P.M. Letters ... 6.00 P.M.	
Haiphong (Taking Mails for Pakhoi)	Mathilde	Tuesday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.	
Hoihow and Bangkok	Rejuburi	Tuesday, 26th, 9.00 A.M.	
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOYAMA, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, (WASH.)	Tamba Maru	Tuesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M.	
Swatow	Huihuan	Tuesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M.	
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE	Persia	Tuesday, 26th, 10.00 A.M.	
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Macao	Sui Tai	Wednesday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.	
Manila, Cebu and Ililo	Tean	Wednesday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.	
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Mitsumi Maru	Wednesday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.	
Fort Bayard and Haiphong (Taking Mails for Pakhoi)	Si Kiang	Wednesday, 27th, 9.00 A.M.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Batching	Wednesday, 27th, 10.00 A.M.	
Singapore	Chunsang	Wednesday, 27th, 11.00 A.M.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Katjo Maru	Wednesday, 27th, 11.00 A.M.	
Macao	Sui Tai	Wednesday, 27th, 1.15 P.M.	
Shanghai	Chinkuo	Thursday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.	
Singapore, Penang, and Rangoon	Farlka	Thursday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.	
Swatow	Haimus	Friday, 29th, 10.00 A.M.	
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Nomsang	Friday, 29th, 11.00 A.M.	
Tientsin	Chengching	Friday, 29th, 11.00 A.M.	
Shanghai	Fangsang	Friday, 29th, 11.00 A.M.	
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Weihsien, Chefoo and Tientsin	Hutchow	Friday, 29th, 5.00 P.M.	

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Singapore, Penang and Calcutta

Tientsin

Shanghai

Macao

Weihsien, Chefoo and Tientsin

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow

Singapore</